

ORDER TO SHOW  
CAUSE PRO/047/021

Division of Oil, Gas  
and Mining Department  
Natural Resources in  
d for the State of Utah.

In the matter of ten-  
tative approval of the  
mining and reclamation  
plan submitted by  
Syntana-Utah Partner-  
ship, Uintah County,  
Utah.

The State of Utah to all  
operators, takers of pro-  
duction, mineral and  
royalty owners, and par-  
ticularly all persons in-  
terested in Township 9  
South, Range 25 East  
Sections 8-17, 20-23, 28  
and 29, Uintah County,  
Utah.

Notice is hereby given  
that tentative approval  
was given by the Divi-  
sion of Oil, Gas and Min-  
ing, on May 22, 1985 to  
commence underground  
mining and retorting  
operations in the above-  
described sections, Uin-  
tah County, Utah.

The name of the min-  
ing operation is the  
Snytana-Utah Project  
and the person represen-  
ting the company is Mr.  
Ed Mihelich, P.O. Box  
1600, Houston, Texas,  
77251.

Syntana-Utah partner-  
ship has fulfilled obliga-  
tions under the Utah  
Mined Land Reclama-  
tion Act of 1975 (Section  
40-8, UCA 1953 as amend-  
ed) with specific  
reference to Section  
40-8-18 and will employ  
the following mining and  
reclamation techniques  
on approximately 788  
acres of state leases and  
fee-owned land.

During Operations:

1. Syntana-Utah Part-  
nership plans a three-  
phase development to  
produce oil from an  
underground oil-shale  
mining operation. This  
permit only applies to the  
first phase.

2. Site facilities will in-  
clude the mine facilities,  
plant and retort  
facilities, raw shale  
storage pile, spent shale  
disposal area and access  
roads and conveyors.  
Total proposed distur-  
bance is 788 acres.

3. In the first phase,  
26,000 tons per stream  
day of raw oil shale will  
feed the plant, which will  
produce 16,700 barrels of  
oil per stream day.

4. Syntana-Utah part-  
nership will save and  
store topsoil for use in  
reclamation from all  
disturbed areas. The  
runoff from all disturbed  
areas will be contained  
by a sedimentation con-  
trol system.

Following operations:

1. Reclamation will be  
a continuous ongoing ac-  
tivity. As areas of the  
mine site are no longer  
needed, they will be  
reclaimed.

2. The site will be  
reclaimed by  
respreding stockpiled  
topsoil, preparing a  
seedbed, fertilizing, and  
hydromulching. Fer-  
tilization will be based  
upon soil analyses at the  
time of reclamation. Ir-  
rigation will be used to  
aid in plant  
establishment.

3. Vegetation test plots  
will be implemented for  
both general site  
reclamation and spent  
shale reclamation to  
determine the best  
species for reclamation,  
seedbed preparation and  
seeding methods, soil  
amendments and the  
need for protection of  
revegetated areas. Final  
reclamation plans will be  
submitted upon comple-  
tion of the test plot  
program.

Any person or agency  
aggrieved by this ten-  
tative decision is hereby  
requested to submit writ-  
ten protest within thirty  
(30) days of the date of  
publication to the Divi-  
sion of Oil, Gas and Min-  
ing, 355 West North Tem-  
ple, 3 Triad Center, Suite  
350, Salt Lake City, Utah  
84180-1203, setting forth  
factual reasons for his or  
her complaint, and  
thereafter, at a time and  
place to be established,  
appear before the Board  
of Oil, Gas and Mining to  
show cause, if any, why

this mine plan should not  
be approved.

DATED this 24th day  
of May 1985.

State of Utah  
Division of Oil,  
Gas and Mining

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ANDERSON  
Administrative Assistant

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nal Express May 31,  
1985.

## PROOF OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF UTAH, }  
County of Uintah } ss.

I, Nancy Colton,

being duly sworn, depose and say, that I  
am the Business Manager of The Vernal  
Express, a semi-weekly newspaper of  
general circulation, published twice each  
week at Vernal, Utah, that the notice at-  
tached hereto was published in said  
newspaper

for one publications,

the first publication having been made on

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and the last on the 31st day of

May, 1985, that said notice

was published in the regular and entire  
issue of every number of the paper during  
the period and times of publication, and  
the same was published in the newspaper  
proper and not in a supplement.

By Nancy Colton  
Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me,

this 31st day of May

A. D. 1985

Jack R. Hallis  
Notary Public, Residence, Vernal, Utah

My Commission expires June 16, 1985